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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants are submitting herewith copies of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (modified) and a copy of the European Search Report for consideration and to be made of record herein by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-captioned application.

Consideration of the foregoing plus the prompt return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column in accordance with MPEP 609 are respectfully requested.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), this Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be submitted prior to issuance of a final action, notice of allowance, or other action that closes prosecution. Furthermore, as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), each item of information disclosed herein was first cited in a communication from the European Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that no fee is required


for consideration of this information. However, in the event any fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our Order no. A-67178-1/MSS/MDV (463035-420)).

Applicant makes no representation that a complete search has been conducted by the Applicant, or that there is not possibly more relevant art. Applicant also makes no representation that the information herewith is in fact material.

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